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Education

1978 **M.D.** School of Medicine, Cairo University, Cairo, Egypt
1987 **M.S.** Department of Biomedical Science, Northeastern
University, Boston, Massachusetts

Professional Employment and Training

2008-Present Vice President, Product Development, Osteotech
Inc., Eatontown, New Jersey
2007-2008 Senior Director, Product and Business
Development, Osteotech Inc.,
Eatontown, New Jersey
2005-2006 Principal Scientist/Disc Group Manager
DepuyBiologics, Johnson & Johnson
Raynham, Massachusetts
2001-2005 Staff Scientist
DepuyAcromed, Johnson & Johnson
Raynham, Massachusetts

Industrial Experience:

Responsible for assuring technical integrity, project planning, budget projections, resource allocations, identifying top leading academic centers for collaboration, and updating surgeons/senior management.

Technical responsibilities include the development, design, management, and implementation of studies to determine product opportunities, demonstrate concept feasibility, establish product specifications, and conduct process verifications and validations.

All activities require an advanced understanding of cell culture systems, pre-clinical testing, shelf life, process changes, histology, cell characterization techniques, animal surgery and modeling, and pre-clinical in vivo evaluations.

These efforts led to the launch of several 510k products, such as Conduit (Synthetic bone graft) and Collect (Stem cell therapy).

Led a new program aimed at developing novel approaches for the treatment of degenerative disc diseases (DDD) using a number of regenerative and anti-inflammatory drugs. The program includes preclinical studies at various academic sites. This study led to an IND submission.

Currently leading the product and business development team at Osteotech Inc.

1998-2003	Research Associate Professor Chemical Engineering, Drexel University Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
1998-2001	Deputy Director, Center for Advanced Biomaterials and Tissue Engineering, Drexel University Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
1999-Present	Visiting Research Associate Professor School of Biomedical Engineering, Sciences and Health Systems, Drexel University Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
1994 - 1998	Research Assistant Professor Department of Orthopaedic Surgery Allegheny University of Health Sciences Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
1994 - 1996	Visiting Research Scientist, Harvard-MIT Division of Health Sciences and Technology Cambridge, Massachusetts
1992-1994	Postdoctoral Research Associate, Harvard-MIT Division of Health Sciences and Technology Cambridge, Massachusetts
1991-1992	Postdoctoral Fellow, Endocrine Unit Massachusetts General Hospital Boston, Massachusetts

1987-1991	Practical Training/Postdoctoral Fellow Section on Immunology Joslin Diabetes Center Harvard Medical School Boston, Massachusetts
1985-1987	Ph.D. Candidate/Postdoctoral Fellow Department of Pathology, New England Deaconess Hospital, Harvard Medical School Boston, Massachusetts
1983-1985	English Language Studies, ELS Los Angeles, California Biochemistry Courses, Boston University Boston, Massachusetts
1981-1983	Attendant, Department of Pediatrics and Internal Medicine, Baadani Hospital Baadan, North Yemen
1980-1981	Resident, Department of Medicine and Clinical Pathology, Minister of Health Cairo, Egypt
1979-1980	Internship, Cairo University Hospitals, Cairo, Egypt

Awards and Honors

2002	Johnson & Johnson Standards of Leadership Award
2001	Awarded the 10 ⁶ Award by Drexel University
1999-2003	National Science Foundational, Research- Curriculum Development in Tissue Engineering, Co-Principal Investigator
2001-2003	U.S.-Egypt Joint Science and Technology Grant Principal Investigator
1998-2000	National Institute of Health, Tissue Engineered System for Anterior Cruciate Ligament Regeneration, Co-Principal Investigator

1997-1999	Allegheny University of the Health Sciences, Controlled Delivery of Radiosensitizers, Principal Investigator
1997-1998	National Institute on Aging, Age Related Effects of Fracture Non-Union Treatment Using a Novel Synthetic Bone Replacement, Principal Investigator
1997-1998	National Institute on Aging, Age Related Effects on Osteoblast Functions, Principal Investigator
1997-2001	National Science Foundation, Development of Bioerodible Polymer Matrices for Osteoblast Growth and Maturation, Co-Principal Investigator
1996 and 2002	Lead Articles, Journal of Biomedical Materials Research (JBMR)
1983	Scientific Scholarship from United Arab Emirates

Membership of Professional Societies

1997	Work Group for Educational Programs Leading to the M.D. Degree and Resources for Educational Programs, Allegheny University Hospitals
1994 - Present	Society for Biomaterials
1997-Present	Orthopaedic Research Society
1985 - 1994	American Society for Microbiology
1980 - Present	Egyptian Medical Syndicate

Teaching Experience

2000 - 2001	Instructor, Drexel University "Advanced Cell Biology in Tissue Engineering"
1995 - Present	Co-Instructor, Drexel University, "Tissue Engineering"
1995 - 1997	Co-Instructor, Allegheny University of the Health Sciences

"Basic Science Course in Orthopaedic Surgery" (for Residents)

2001- Present Depuy Spine Sale's training (national and international)

Activities at National Level

2001-2002	Chair, Society for Biomaterials Drug Delivery Special Interest Group
1997 - 2001	Vice-Chairperson, Society for Biomaterials Drug Delivery Special Interest Group
1999	Panel Reviewer, National Science Foundation Biosystems at the Nanoscale
1997	Consultant, National Space Biomedical Research Institute Muscle Alterations and Atrophy Panel
1996 - Present	Member, Society for Biomaterials Biotechnology Special Interest Group (BSIG)
1995 - Present	Member, Center for Immunology Allegheny University of the Health Sciences
1994 - Present	Member, Institute on Aging Allegheny University of the Health Sciences

Sessions Moderated/Organized/Chaired

1997	Society for Biomaterials Drug Delivery General Session
1997	Allegheny University of the Health Sciences Clinical Research Center Conference Medical and Surgical Devices Session
1997	Materials Research Society Symposium Organizer Polymers in Orthopedics
1998	Society for Biomaterials

Advances in Drug Delivery Symposium

- 2000 American Standard Material Testing
- 2000 Distance Learning in Modern Medicine, Cairo, Egypt
- 2002 Society for Biomaterials
Drug Delivery General Session

Ph.D. Theses Mentored

Mark Borden (1999) Biomedical Engineering-Drexel University, Saadiq El-Amin (2002) Cell and Molecular Biology-T. Jefferson University, James Cooper (2003) Biomedical Engineering-Drexel University, Yusuf Khan (2003) Biomedical Engineering-Drexel University, Michael Kofron (2003), Biomedical Engineering-Drexel University, Swaminathan Sethuraman (2005) Chemical Engineering-Drexel University.

MS and BS Mentored Students

Jessica Deven (1993) Chemical Engineering-MIT, Miranda Fan (1994) Chemical Engineering-MIT, Michael Wong (1994) Chemical Engineering-MIT,

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 6. Devin, J., Attawia, M., and Laurencin, C.: Three-Dimensional porous polymer-ceramic matrices for use in bone repair. J. Biomat. Sci. (Polymer Edition) 7(8):661-669 (1996)
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15. Laurencin, C.T., Borden, M.D., Attawia, M.A., Ko, f., and Morrill, G.M.: Polymer based tissue engineering of bone. Polymer Preprints 39 (2) 122-123, 1998
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Presented Papers

More than seventy papers presented in national and international meetings

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3. Laurencin, C.T., Lu, H.L., Kofron, M., Attawia, M. A., and El-Amin, S.E.; Muscle-Polymer Constructs for Bone Regeneration. U.S. Patent Pending
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